

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Association for Visual Artists (AVA)

Eric Ledford

Phone: 423.265.4282 x106 E-mail: eledford@avartists.org

Stellar Live Music Line-Up Enlivens 4 Bridges Arts Festival

April 11, 2006: Top local and national musicians will delight Festival goers at the 4 Bridges Arts Festival April 22-23. From Australian didjeridoo, to alternative folk, to the sensational Sun Records recording artist Cast King, this musical sampler will keep your ears delighted throughout the weekend.

Exhibiting artists **Inlakesh** will present a performance on the didjeridoo, an ancient instrument used by the Aborigines to communicate over long distances. Local musician **Dennis Palmer**, of the Shaking Ray Levis, has been called "the world's most colorfully inventive synthesizer player". Hailing from the hills of Alabama, **Cast King** has been refining his original country music over the last 65 years in order to take you through the journey of a lifetime.

Taking you back to the origins of bluegrass, **Citico String Band** will bring ear ticklin' music from the Southeastern Mountains right into your backyard. Travel half way across the world as **the India Association of Chattanooga** colors your mind with rich and vibrant classical Indian music.

From classical to good ole country music, the Festival will present a variety of genres for the public's entertainment.

Music Schedule

Saturday, April 22

- 11:00 Dulcimers and Accompaniment (traditional) multi-generational dulcimer orchestra
- 12:00 Blue John (country/folk) versatile acoustic duo with a mix of folk, swing, and country
- 1:00 the heroes are horses (neo-folk) meditative, down-tempo ballads of love and loss
- 2:00 Inlakesh (didjeridoo)
- 3:00 Citico String Band (old time)
- 4:00 Cast King (old-school country) "Saw Mill Man", his debut album, proved this 79-year-old talent has been distilling his unique vision for over 65 years

Sunday, April 23

- 11:00 SAU String Quartet (classical) student ensemble from Southern Adventist University 12:00 SAU String Quartet (classical)
- 1:00 Atlanta Contextual Music Ensemble (A.C.M.E.) (free jazz)
- 2:00 Indian Association of Chattanooga (classical Indian)
- 3:00 Dennis Palmer (vocals/storytelling)
- 4:00 Michael Hurley (psych/folk) introspective, nomadic singer/guitarist from Astoria, Oregon



These musicians, plus many talented visual artists, are a part of the 4 Bridges Arts Festival in Chattanooga, TN. The Festival, in its 6th year running, was ranked 29th amongst the top arts festivals in the country. It runs Saturday and Sunday, April 22-23 at the First Tennessee Pavilion and the public is invited to attend. Last year's event drew more than 30,000 people.

For more information on the 4 Bridges Arts Festival, please visit <u>www.4bridgesartsfestival.org</u> or call Eric Ledford at 423.265.4282 x106.

###